



Service Order
29th March 2020
9am
Lent 5, Year A

HYMN: LH436 “Come, let us join our cheerful songs”

Come, let us join our cheerful songs

With angels round the throne:

Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,

But all their joys are one.

‘Worthy the Lamb that died’, they cry,

‘To be exalted thus’;

‘Worthy the Lamb’, our lips reply,

‘For He was slain for us.’

Jesus is worthy to receive

All honour, power divine;

And blessings, more than we can give,

Be, Lord, for ever Thine.

Let all creation join in one

To bless the sacred name

Of Him that sits upon the throne,

And to adore the Lamb.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674 – 1748)

Music H Lahee 1826 – 1912

WELCOME

HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN THE NAME

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Friends in Christ: Let us confess our sins to God our Father and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

We confess that we are born in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have failed to do.

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.

We deserve your eternal punishment.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

I ask each of you in the presence of God who searches the heart:

Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?

I do.

Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in his name?

I do.

Do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as in God's presence, and to strive daily to lead a holy life, even as Christ has made you holy?

I do.

Announcement of Absolution

As a called and ordained servant of the word, I announce the grace of God to all of you. On behalf of my Lord Jesus Christ, and by his command, I forgive the sins of all of you who repent and believe, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

GREETING - *spoken*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (ALL)

**Most merciful God,
you saved humankind
by the death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ.
Strengthen our faith in him who suffered on the cross,
so that we may triumph in the power of his victory.
For he lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.**

THEME OF THE DAY

Matthew 26:69 – 27:10

“No future without forgiveness”

Series on Jesus’ Last week (5)

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:1 – 4

SECOND READING

Romans 8:6 – 11

After each reading: spoken

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL (SPOKEN)

Matthew 26:69 – 27:10

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

Refer to Attachment

CHILDRENS SONG

Refer to Attachment

NICENE CREED:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us* and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic† and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

HYMN: AT345 “Nothing but the blood”

**What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Oh! precious is the flow
that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know
nothing but the blood of Jesus**

**For my pardon this I see:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
for my cleansing, this my plea:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

Chorus:

**This is all my hope and peace:
nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

*Chorus:
(repeat)*

*Words & Music: Robert Lowry
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SERMON

**Matthew 26:69 – 27:10
“No future without forgiveness”
Series on Jesus’ Last week (5)
Available on [YouTube https://youtu.be/IFHoNOljT8M](https://youtu.be/IFHoNOljT8M)
Sermon Notes Attachment**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus. Amen.

HYMN: LH368 "MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE"

**My faith looks up to Thee
Thou Lamb of Calvary
Saviour divine.**

**Now hear me while I pray:
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine.**

**May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire:
As Thou has died for me,
O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire.**

**While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread.
Be Thou my guide:
Bid darkness turn to day
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.**

**When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll.
Blest Saviour, then in love
Fear and distrust remove:
And make me safe above
Redeemed and free.**

*Words: Ray Palmer (1808 – 1887)
Music L Mason 1792 – 1872 (1833)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Thank you, eternal God,
for giving us new life.
Help us to live according to your Spirit,
and willingly serve you
and our fellow human beings,
with all that we are and all that we have.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF GODS PEOPLE

Prayer by Pastor Wayne on [YouTube https://youtu.be/t9fj1Uzz2Ko](https://youtu.be/t9fj1Uzz2Ko)

Call to prayer

We were dead in our sins, but the word of God entered into our tomb and called us out into new life. Let us pray to the Father, knowing that he listens to us.

The regular response, OR:

Father, we call on you,
knowing you will hear us.

Suggested intercessions

- * for all the baptised, that they may daily die to sin and rise to new life with Christ in the power of the Spirit
- * for those who mourn the death of a loved one
- * for hospices and those who work with the dying
- * for those who work with alcoholics and drug addicts, that they may bring them new life
- * that we may face death in the certain hope of resurrection, and that we may be raised up together with all who have died in the faith of Christ
- * for those preparing for baptism or confirmation at Easter

Concluding prayer

Heavenly Father, through the death and resurrection of your Son, you rescue us from death and the grave. Restore us to life, so that we may serve you in the world; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER – *spoken*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

BLESSING – spoken

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour,† and give you peace.

Amen

HYMN: LH397 “Lead us heavenly Father”

**Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
Over life’s tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For to you alone we flee;
Yet possessing
Every blessing
If our God our Father be.**

**Saviour, breathe forgiveness o’er us;
All our weaknesses you know;
You have walked this earth before us
You have felt its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary,
Faint and weary,
Through the desert you did go.**

**Spirit of our God, descending,
In our hearts your joy increase,
Love, all other love transcending,
Pleasure that will never cease:
Thus provided,
Pardoned, guided,
Nothing can destroy our peace.**

Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867)

Music: F Filitz, 1804-1876 (1847)

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